# BEANS, REFRIED

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# **Product Description**

**Canned Refried Beans** are smooth pinto beans with no added fat.

#### Pack/Yield

Refried Beans are packed in a 15.5-ounce can, which yields about 3 ½-cup servings.

# **Storage**

- Store unopened cans in a cool, dry place off the floor.
- Avoid freezing or exposure to direct sunlight. Sudden changes in temperature shorten shelf life and speed deterioration.
- Store opened refried beans in a tightly covered nonmetallic container and refrigerate. Use within 2 days.

#### **Uses**

- Refried beans may be used either as a vegetable or a meat/meat alternate.
- Served as an accompaniment to a main dish, refried beans may be topped with grated cheese.
- As part of the main dish, refried beans may be featured in various Mexican entrees, such as bean burritos, bean tostadas, chiles rellenos, or nachos frijoles.

#### **Preparation**

 Refried beans should be heated slowly at a low to medium temperature. Stir occasionally to distribute heated beans.



 Do not overheat – beans can burn and dry out quickly. Refried beans are best served hot.

#### **Nutrition Information**

- <u>Refried Beans</u> is an excellent source of fiber and a good source of iron.
- ½ cup of refried beans provides 1 serving from the MEAT, POULTRY, FISH, DRY BEANS, EGGS, AND NUTS GROUP of the Food Guide Pyramid.

(See recipes on reverse side)

Nutrition Facts Serving size ½ cup (130g) Refried Beans, heated								
Amount Per Serving								
Calories 100	Fat Cal 0							
	% Daily Value*							
Total Fat 0g	0%							
Saturated Fat 0g	0%							
Cholesterol 0mg	0%							
Sodium 480mg	20%							
Total Carbohydrate 18g	6%							
Dietary Fiber 6g	24%							
Protein 6g								
Vitamin A 0%	Vitamin C 0%							
Calcium 4%	Iron 10%							
*Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet.								

#### Taco Bake

1½ pounds lean ground beef

1 (1.25 ounce) package taco seasoning mix

1 (15.5 ounce) can refried beans

1 (16 ounce) jar salsa

2 cups shredded Monterey Jack cheese

Recipe provided by allrecipes.com

**Variation**: To lower fat content: Use lowfat

cheese.

1. Preheat oven to 325 F.

- 2. In a large, heavy skillet over medium-high heat, brown ground beef, and drain fat. Mix in dry taco seasoning.
- Spoon browned meat into a 9x13-inch glass baking dish. Spoon a layer of refried beans over meat, then salsa. Top with shredded cheese.
- 4. Bake about 20 to 25 minutes.

# Makes 8 servings

Nutrition Information for each serving of Taco Bake:									
Calories	420	Cholesterol	100 mg	Sugar	1 g	Calcium	250 mg		
Calories from Fat	230	Sodium	1030 g	Protein	31 g	Iron	3 mg		
Total Fat	25 g	Total Carbohydrat	e 16 g	Vitamin A	225 RE		_		
Saturated Fat	12 g	Dietary Fiber	4 g	Vitamin C	12 mg				

#### **Refried Bean Tostadas**

1 (15.5 ounce) can refried beans

1/4 cup chopped onion

1 package (1.25 ounce) taco seasoning mix

- 1 (10-count) package Tostada Shells, warmed
- 2 cups shredded lettuce
- 1/2 cup shredded cheddar cheese\*
- 1/3 cup sliced ripe olives (optional)
- 2 medium ripe avocados, pitted, peeled and thinly sliced.

Taco Sauce for accompaniment

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cheese.

Recipe provided by cooksrecipes.com

- Combine beans, onion and seasoning mix in medium saucepan. Cook, stirring frequently, for 4 to 5 minutes or until heated through.
- 2. Spread 1/4 cup bean mixture over each shell.
- 3. Top with lettuce, cheese, olives, avocado, and taco sauce.

#### Makes 10 servings

Nutrition Information for each 1 cup serving of Tostada Pizza:								
Calories	180	Cholesterol	5 mg	Sugar	2 g	Calcium	70 mg	
Calories from Fat	100	Sodium	630 mg	Protein	5 g	Iron	1 mg	
Total Fat	11 g	Total Carbohyd	rate 19 g	Vitamin A	65 RE		_	
Saturated Fat	3 g	Dietary Fiber	4 g	Vitamin C	3 mg			

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